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Note di Matematica Some Results Concerning to Polar Derivative of Polynomials

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Abstract. Let P(z) be a polynomial of degree *n* and for a complex number α , let $D_{\alpha}P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)$ denote the polar derivative of the polynomial P(z) with respect to α .

In this paper we establish some L_r inequalities for the polar derivative of a polynomial with restricted zeros. Our results not only generalizes some known polynomial inequalities, but also a variety of interesting results can be deduced from these by a fairly uniform procedure.

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Introduction

Let P(z) be a polynomial of degree n and P'(z) its derivative. It was shown by Turan [16] that if P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{2} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$
(1)

More generally, if P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \le k \le 1$, it was proved by Malik [11] that (1) can be replaced by

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{1+k} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \tag{2}$$

whereas Govil [8] proved that if P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, where $k \geq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{1+k^n} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$
(3)

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As an improvement of (3), Govil [9] proved that if P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, where $k \geq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{1+k^n} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right\}.$$
(4)

Again for the class of polynomials $P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{j=\mu}^n a_{n-j} z^{n-j}$, $1 \le \mu \le n$ of degree *n* having all its zeros in $|z| \le k, k \le 1$, Aziz and Shah [5] proved

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{1+k^{\mu}} \left\{ \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + \frac{1}{k^{n-\mu}} \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| \right\}.$$
 (5)

For $\mu = 1$, inequality (5) reduces to an inequality due to Govil [9].

We define $D_{\alpha}P(z)$, the polar derivative of the polynomial P(z) of degree n with respect to a complex number α by

$$D_{\alpha}P(z) = nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z).$$
(6)

It is easy to see that the polynomial $D_{\alpha}P(z)$ is of degree at most n-1 and it generalizes the ordinary derivative in the sense that

$$\lim_{\alpha \to \infty} \frac{D_{\alpha} P(z)}{\alpha} = P'(z).$$
(7)

Shah [14] extended (1) to the polar derivative of P(z) and proved:

Theorem 1. If all the zeros of nth degree polynomial P(z) lie in $|z| \leq 1$, then

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_{\alpha}P(z)| \ge \frac{n}{2} (|\alpha| - 1) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \ |\alpha| \ge 1.$$
(8)

The result is best possible and equality in (8) holds for $P(z) = \left(\frac{z-1}{2}\right)^n$.

Aziz and Rather [3] generalized (8) which also extends (2) to the polar derivative of a polynomial. In fact, they proved.

Theorem 2. If P(z) is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, where $k \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq k$,

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_{\alpha}P(z)| \ge n \left(\frac{|\alpha|-k}{1+k}\right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \tag{9}$$

The result is best possible and equality in (9) holds for $P(z) = (z - k)^n$ with $\alpha \ge k$.

Further, as a generalization of (3) to the polar derivative of a polynomial, Aziz and Rather [3] proved the following: Some Results Concerning to Polar Derivative of Polynomials

Theorem 3. If P(z) is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, where $k \geq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq k$,

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_{\alpha}P(z)| \ge n \left(\frac{|\alpha|-k}{1+k^n}\right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$
(10)

In the same paper, Aziz and Rather [3] proved the following improvement of inequality (8):

Theorem 4. If P(z) is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq 1$,

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_{\alpha}P(z)| \ge \frac{n}{2} \left\{ (|\alpha|-1) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)| + (|\alpha|+1) \min_{|z|=1} |P(z)| \right\}$$
(11)

The result is best possible and equality in (11) holds for $P(z) = (z-1)^n$ with $\alpha \ge 1$.

On the other hand Malik [12] obtained an L_r analogue of (1) by proving that if P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \leq 1$, then for each r > 0,

$$n\left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^{r} d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi} |1+e^{i\theta}|^{r} d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)|.$$
(12)

As an extension of (12) and a generalization of (2), Aziz [1] proved that if P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \le k \le 1$, then for each r > 0,

$$n\left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^{r} d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + ke^{i\theta}|^{r} d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)|.$$
(13)

If we let $r \to \infty$ in (12) and (13) and make use of the well known fact from analysis (see example [13, p.73] or [15, p.91]) that

$$\left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^r d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \to \max_{0 \le \theta < 2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})| \ as \ r \to \infty,\tag{14}$$

we get inequalities (1) and (2) respectively.

Recently, Dewan et. al. [6] obtained the following result for the polar derivative of polynomials which generalizes inequalities (9) and (13). In fact they proved: **Theorem 5.** If P(z) is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$, where $k \leq 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \geq k$ and for each r > 0,

$$n(|\alpha|-k)\left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi}|P(e^{i\theta})|^{r}d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \left\{\int_{0}^{2\pi}|1+ke^{i\theta}|^{r}d\theta\right\}^{\frac{1}{r}}\max_{|z|=1}|D_{\alpha}P(z)|.$$
 (15)

In the limiting case, when $r \to \infty$, the above inequality is sharp and equality holds for the polynomial $P(z) = (z - k)^n$ with $\alpha \ge k$.

If we divide both the sides of inequality (15) by $|\alpha|$ and let $|\alpha| \to \infty$, we get inequality (13). If we let $r \to \infty$, in (15), we get inequality (9).

1 Main Results

In this paper, we will obtain some L_r inequalities for the polar derivative of a polynomial which generalize the inequalities (8), (9) and (15) in particular. More precisely, we prove the following theorem:

Theorem 6. If $P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{j=\mu}^n a_{n-j} z^{n-j}$, $1 \le \mu \le n$ is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \le k$, where $k \le 1$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \ge k$ and for each r > 0, p > 1, q > 1 with 1/p + 1/q = 1, we have

$$n(|\alpha| - S_{\mu}) \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^{r} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + S_{\mu}e^{i\theta}|^{pr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{pr}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha}P(e^{i\theta})|^{qr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{qr}}$$
(16)

where

$$S_{\mu} = \left\{ \frac{n|a_{n}|k^{2\mu} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|k^{\mu-1}}{n|a_{n}|k^{\mu-1} + \mu|a_{n-\mu}|} \right\}$$
(17)

and

$$\frac{\mu}{n} \left| \frac{a_{n-\mu}}{a_n} \right| \le k^{\mu}. \tag{18}$$

Remark 1. Since $S_{\mu} \leq k^{\mu} \leq k, \ 1 \leq \mu \leq n$ it follows from above theorem that

$$n(|\alpha| - k^{\mu}) \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^{r} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + k^{\mu} e^{i\theta}|^{pr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{pr}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha} P(e^{i\theta})|^{qr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{qr}}$$
(19)

For $\mu = 1$, we get a generalization of inequality (15) in the sense that $\max_{|z|=1} |D_{\alpha}P(z)|$ on the right hand side of (15) is replaced by a factor involving the integral mean of $|D_{\alpha}P(z)|$ on |z| = 1.

Instead of proving inequality (16), we prove the following more general result:

Theorem 7. If $P(z) = a_n z^n + \sum_{j=\mu}^n a_{n-j} z^{n-j}$, $1 \le \mu \le n$ is a polynomial of degree n having all its zeros in $|z| \le k$, where $k \le 1$ and $m := \min_{|z|=k} |P(z)|$, then for every real or complex number α , β with $|\alpha| \ge k$, $|\beta| < 1$ and for each r > 0, p > 1, q > 1 with 1/p + 1/q = 1, we have

$$n(|\alpha| - A_{\mu}) \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta}) - \frac{m\beta e^{in\theta}}{k^{n}}|^{r} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ \leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + A_{\mu}e^{i\theta}|^{pr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{pr}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha}P(e^{i\theta}) - \frac{mn\alpha\beta e^{i(n-1)\theta}}{k^{n}}|^{qr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{qr}}$$
(20)

where

$$A_{\mu} = \left\{ \frac{n \left| a_n - \frac{m\beta}{k^n} \right| k^{2\mu} + \mu |a_{n-\mu}| k^{\mu-1}}{n \left| a_n - \frac{m\beta}{k^n} \right| k^{\mu-1} + \mu |a_{n-\mu}|} \right\}.$$
 (21)

Finally, we present the L_r analogue of inequalities (8) and (9) by using the location of zeros of P(z). We prove:

Theorem 8. If $P(z) = \prod_{j=0}^{n} (z - z_j)$ is a polynomial of degree n such that $|z_j| \le k_j \le 1$, $1 \le j \le n$, then for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \ge t_0$ and for each r > 0, p > 1, q > 1 with 1/p + 1/q = 1, we have

$$n(|\alpha| - t_0) \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^r d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + t_0 e^{i\theta}|^{pr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{pr}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha} P(e^{i\theta})|^{qr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{qr}}$$
(22)

where

$$t_0 = 1 - \frac{n}{\sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{1-k_j}\right)}.$$
 (23)

Remark 2. If we let $q \to \infty$, $r \to \infty$ so that $p \to 1$, in inequality (22), we get

$$\max_{|z|=1} |D_{\alpha}P(z)| \ge n \left(\frac{|\alpha| - t_0}{1 + t_0}\right) \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|, \tag{24}$$

where t_0 is defined by (23). The result is best possible and equality in (24) holds for $P(z) = (z - k)^n$ where $\alpha \ge k$. **Remark 3.** It can be easily seen that inequality (24) includes as special cases inequality (8) when $k_j = 1$ for $1 \le j \le n$ and inequality (9) when $k_j = k$ for $1 \le j \le n$.

Remark 4. Dividing the two sides of (24) by $|\alpha|$, letting $|\alpha| \to \infty$ and noting (7), we get

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{1+t_0} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|.$$
(25)

By putting the value of t_0 in (25) and after simplification, we get

$$\max_{|z|=1} |P'(z)| \ge \frac{n}{2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{k_j}{1 - k_j}} \right\} \max_{|z|=1} |P(z)|$$
(26)

The above inequality was proved by Aziz and Ahmad [2].

2 Lemmas

For the proofs of these Theorems we need the following Lemmas.

Lemma 1. If P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k$ where $k \leq 1$ and $Q(z) = z^n \overline{P(\frac{1}{z})}$, then

$$|Q'(z)| \le S_{\mu}|P'(z)|$$
 for $|z| = 1,$ (27)

where S_{μ} is defined by (18).

The above lemma is due to Aziz and Rather [4].

Lemma 2. If $P(z) = \prod_{j=1}^{n} (z - z_j)$ is a polynomial of degree n with $|z_j| \ge k_j \ge 1, 1 \le j \le n$, then for |z| = 1,

$$\left|\frac{q'(z)}{P'(z)}\right| \ge 1 + \frac{n}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{k_j - 1}\right)}$$
(28)

where $q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\overline{z})}$.

This Lemma is due to Gardner and Govil [7].

3 Proof of the Theorems

PROOF OF THEOREM If P(z) has a zero on |z| = k, then $\min_{|z|=k} |P(z)| = 0$ and the result follows from inequality (16) in this case. Hence, we suppose that all the zeros of P(z) lie in |z| < k where $k \leq 1$, so that m > 0. Now $m \leq |P(z)|$ for |z| = k, therefore, if β is any real or complex number such

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that $|\beta| < 1$, then $\left|\frac{m\beta z^n}{k^n}\right| < |P(z)|$ for |z| = k. Since all the zeros of P(z) lie in |z| < k, it follows by Rouche's theorem, that all the zeros of $F(z) = P(z) - \frac{m\beta z^n}{k^n}$ also lie in |z| < k. If $G(z) = z^n \overline{F(\frac{1}{\overline{z}})} = Q(z) - \frac{m\overline{\beta}}{k^n}$ then it can be easily verified that for |z| = 1,

$$|F'(z)| = |nG(z) - zG'(z)|.$$
(29)

As F(z) has all its zeros in $|z| < k \le 1$, the inequality (27) in conjunction with inequality (29), gives,

$$|G'(z)| \le A_{\mu} |nG(z) - zG'(z)| \quad for \quad |z| = 1,$$
(30)

where A_{μ} is defined in (21).

Now for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \ge k$, we have

$$|D_{\alpha}F(z)| = |nF(z) + (\alpha - z)F'(z)|$$
(31)

$$\geq |\alpha||F'(z)| - |nF(z) - zF'(z)|'$$
(32)

which gives by interchanging the roles of F(z) and G(z) in (29) for |z| = 1 that

$$|D_{\alpha}F(z)| \ge |\alpha||F'(z)| - |G'(z)|$$
(33)

$$\geq (|\alpha| - A_{\mu})|F'(z)| \tag{34}$$

$$\left| D_{\alpha}P(z) - \frac{nm\alpha\beta z^{n}}{k^{n}} \right| \ge \left(|\alpha| - A_{\mu} \right) \left| P'(z) - \frac{mn\beta z^{n-1}}{k^{n}} \right|$$
(35)

Again since F(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \le k \le 1$, therefore by Gauss-Lucas theorem all the zeros of the polynomial $F'(z) = P'(z) - \frac{mn\beta z^{n-1}}{k^n}$ lie in $|z| < k \le 1$. Therefore the polynomial $z^{n-1}\overline{F'(\frac{1}{\overline{z}})} = nG(z) - zG'(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| > \frac{1}{k} \ge 1$. Hence it follows that the function

$$W(z) = \frac{zG'(z)}{A_{\mu}\{nG(z) - zG'(z)\}}$$
(36)

is analytic for $|z| \leq 1$, $|W(z)| \leq 1$ for |z| = 1 and W(0) = 0. Thus the function $1 + A_{\mu}W(z)$ is subordinate to the function $1 + A_{\mu}z$ for $|z| \leq 1$. By a well known property of subordination [10, P.422], we have for each r > 0,

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + A_{\mu}W(e^{i\theta})|^{q} d\theta \le \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + A_{\mu}e^{i\theta}|^{q} d\theta.$$
(37)

Now by (36), we have

$$|1 + A_{\mu}W(z)| = \left|\frac{nG(z)}{nG(z) - zG'(z)}\right|$$
(38)

$$=\frac{n\left|G(z)\right|}{\left|P'(z)-\frac{mn\beta z^{n-1}}{k^n}\right|}$$
(39)

$$=\frac{n\left|F(z)\right|}{\left|P'(z)-\frac{mn\beta z^{n-1}}{k^n}\right|}$$
(40)

$$=\frac{n\left|P(z)-\frac{m\beta z^{n}}{k^{n}}\right|}{\left|P'(z)-\frac{mn\beta z^{n-1}}{k^{n}}\right|}.$$
(41)

From (35),(37) and (41), we deduce that for each r > 0,

$$n^{r}(|\alpha| - A_{\mu})^{r} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta}) - \frac{m\beta e^{in\theta}}{k^{n}}|^{r} d\theta \right\}$$
$$\leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + A_{\mu}e^{i\theta}|^{r} \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha}P(e^{i\theta}) - \frac{mn\alpha\beta e^{i(n-1)\theta}}{k^{n}}|^{r} d\theta \right\}.$$
(42)

Now applying Holder's inequality for p > 1, q > 1 with 1/p + 1/q = 1, we get

$$n(|\alpha| - A_{\mu}) \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta}) - \frac{m\beta e^{in\theta}}{k^{n}}|^{r} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + A_{\mu}e^{i\theta}|^{pr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{pr}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha}P(e^{i\theta}) - \frac{mn\alpha\beta e^{i(n-1)\theta}}{k^{n}}|^{qr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{qr}}$$
(43)

and this completes the proof of inequality (20). **PROOF OF THEOREM** Let $q(z) = z^n \overline{P(1/\overline{z})}$, then for |z| = 1, we have

$$|q'(z)| = |nP(z) - zP'(z)|$$
(44)

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Also we have $|z_j| \le k_j \le 1, 1 \le j \le n$, therefore, $\frac{1}{|z_j|} \ge \frac{1}{k_j} \ge 1, 1 \le j \le n$, and hence by inequality (28), for |z| = 1,

$$\left|\frac{P'(z)}{q'(z)}\right| \ge 1 + \frac{n}{\sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{k_j}{1-k_j}\right)}$$

$$\tag{45}$$

$$=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{k_{j}}{1-k_{j}}+1\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{k_{j}}{1-k_{j}}\right)}$$
(46)

$$=\frac{\sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1-k_j}\right)}{\sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{k_j}{1-k_j}\right)}$$
(47)

which gives for |z| = 1,

$$\left|\frac{q'(z)}{P'(z)}\right| \le \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{k_j}{1-k_j}\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1-k_j}\right)}$$
(48)

$$=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1-k_{j}}-1\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1-k_{j}}\right)}$$
(49)

$$= 1 - \frac{n}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1-k_j}\right)} = t_0.$$
 (50)

Hence for |z| = 1,

$$|q'(z)| \le t_0 |P'(z)|. \tag{51}$$

Now for every real or complex number α with $|\alpha| \ge t_0$, we have

$$|D_{\alpha}P(z)| = |nP(z) + (\alpha - z)P'(z)|$$
(52)

$$\geq |\alpha| |P'(z)| - |nP(z) - zP'(z)|$$
(53)

which implies by (44) and (51) for |z| = 1

$$|D_{\alpha}P(z)| \ge |\alpha| \ |P'(z)| - t_0|P'(z)| \tag{54}$$

$$= (|\alpha| - t_0)|P'(z)|$$
(55)

Again since P(z) has all its zeros in $|z| \leq k \leq 1$, therefore by Gauss-Lucas theorem all the zeros of the polynomial P'(z) lie in $|z| < k \leq 1$. Therefore the polynomial $z^{n-1}\overline{P'(\frac{1}{\overline{z}})} = nQ(z) - zQ'(z)$ has all its zeros in $|z| > \frac{1}{k} \geq 1$. Hence it follows that the function

$$W(z) = \frac{zQ'(z)}{t_0\{nQ(z) - zQ'(z)\}}$$
(56)

is analytic for $|z| \leq 1$, $|W(z)| \leq 1$ for |z| = 1 and W(0) = 0. Thus the function $1 + t_0 W(z)$ is subordinate to the function $1 + t_0 z$ for $|z| \leq 1$. By a well known property of subordination [10, P.422], we have for each r > 0,

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + t_0 W(e^{i\theta})|^q d\theta \le \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + t_0 e^{i\theta}|^q d\theta.$$
(57)

Now,

$$n|Q(z)| = |1 + t_0 W(z)||P'(z)|.$$
(58)

Since |P(z)| = |Q(z)| for |z| = 1, therefore from (58) we get

$$|P'(z)| = \frac{n|Q(z)|}{|1+t_0W(z)|} \quad for \quad |z| = 1.$$
(59)

From (55),(57) and (59), we deduce that for each r > 0,

$$n^{r}(|\alpha| - t_{0})^{r} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^{r} d\theta \right\} \leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + t_{0}e^{i\theta}|^{r} \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha}P(e^{i\theta})|^{r} d\theta \right\}.$$
(60)

Now applying Holder's inequality for p > 1, q > 1 with 1/p + 1/q = 1, we get

$$n(|\alpha| - t_0) \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |P(e^{i\theta})|^r d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |1 + t_0 e^{i\theta}|^{pr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{pr}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{2\pi} |D_{\alpha} P(e^{i\theta})|^{qr} d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{qr}}$$
(61)

and this completes the proof of inequality (22).

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